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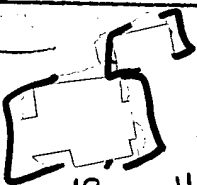
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File: PT 13
PT-18/139

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: KUGOWN - PT/18 : SUMMIT Congress

1. Review of subject files results in the following positive facts:
 - a) The Congress is definitely taking place 27-30 May in Mexico City;
 - b) First public announcements have been issued by RNSHIELD;
 - c) Enissaries for South America have already left 22 April, those for Central America are supposed to have left 26 April (to make personal contacts with delegates and start local propaganda for congress everywhere);
 - d) Many KUBARK stations in WH have already complied with HQ instructions and named suitable persons and groups to be invited.
2. Many other basic aspects of the congress, as provided for in the original outline (HULA-76, 22 February 1954), have either not yet been taken care of -- or, at least, there is no record of any such solution in the LINCOLN files. The most significant of these aspects are:
 - a) No special staff officer has yet been detailed to [] for on-the-spot supervision of the project (latest request is in [] 109 of 24 April, asking to detach Joel N. Nebecker for 4 weeks TDY, beginning 10 May);
 - b) Although we received the agenda of the congress today (in [] 1770) -- which corresponds roughly to the original agenda outlined in HULA-76 -- , it gives only the name of one, possibly a second speaker and does not indicate who will lecture on the many specialized themes which it includes.
 - c) Chief, WH, in dispatch HULW-107, 18 March, raised the question whether the delegates to the congress would be representative and democratic; LINCOLN, replying in HULA-319, requested HQ to forward any derogatory information on prospective delegates: apparently no further action has been taken either side. LINCOLN files disclosed information on only 3 of the original list of delegates (HULW-107), one of which was derogatory (indicating that the delegate was strongly anti-US and anti-democratic, though also anti-communist).
3. Most important from the PBSUCCESS viewpoint: although [] went to Mexico and met RNSHIELD and others, as instructed (his report is attached to HULA-493, 14 April), his resignation leaves apparently our entire plan, insofar as it concerns Guat, without an instrument. Even before his resignation, the original plan to pass a substantial part of the funds for the congress through [] and to insure thereby a more influential position in congress matters, was dropped and all funds channeled directly to RNSHIELD -- a change for which I could find no explanation in the files.
4. Other questions, not mentioned in the files, but presumably pertinent to

a congress of this type would include the following:

- a) How is RNSHIELD going to maintain undisputed control over the 4-day proceedings of the congress? (Rules of procedure? Secret caucus of inner circle of his intimates? What else?)
- b) How will the congress ^{phase} be guarded against disorders and undesirable intruders, such as communist agents, hecklers, other "lunatic fringes" always likely to gather around a much publicized convention? (Arrangements with the police? RNSHIELD's own strong-arm squads? Members of ZRAFRAD, militant students?)
- c) What provisions have been made to prevent the congress from degenerating into squabbles between competing groups, especially conflicting groups of Guat exiles? (Rules of procedure might include pre-arranged list of speakers, motions to be screened first in closed committee, or the like).

5. Recommendations:

- a) We should ~~insist~~ the HQ sends immediately a qualified staff officer to [] whether Webecker or somebody else, and that this officer either goes via LINCOLN or be briefed in Wash by undersigned;
- b) We ought to decide among ourselves as quickly as possible how to replace [] in the Guat part of the Congress;
- c) We might request MEXI to clarify the points listed in paras 2 & 4 above -- which we can presumably do only after receipt of their 27 April pouch (see [] 1109);
- d) Undersigned, on his scheduled visit to [] will attempt to clarify as many of the unanswered questions raised above as possible and obtain an on-the-spot and up-to-date picture of the state of preparations, the presumable composition of the delegations, the competence of the key personnel involved, and so forth. Study of the files, however, indicates a marked reluctance of both C/WH and [] to admit LINCOLN's role in the entire project. Undersigned therefore recommends that we ought to limit our efforts in this matter to the RBSUCCESS interest in the congress, without attempting to bring about whatever changes might appear desirable in the over-all plans and conduct of the congress.

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c/PP

29 April 1954